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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PEPR, KS, YO, US  
SUBJECT: YUGOSLAV PROPOSAL FOR TRIPARTITE TALKS: AMBASSADOR BRIEFS  
FORMIN AND BLUE HOUSE OFFICIAL

REF: A) STATE 65759; B) STATE 65788

1. SINCE PRESIDENT PARK WAS NOT IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE AND  
IN VIEW MY BELIEF WE SHOULD MOVE FORWARD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE,  
I MET WITH FORMIN AND SENIOR BLUE HOUSE OFFICIAL ON MORNING  
MARCH 18. STATING THAT MY INSTRUCTIONS WERE TO BRIEF  
PRESIDENT PARK AND REQUESTING THAT VIEWS BE TRANSMITTED TO HIM  
WITHOUT DELAY, I BEGAN DETAILING COURSE OF DISCUSSIONS IN  
WASHINGTON (REF B). I THEN DEVELOPED U.S. VIEW OF VALUE OF  
THIS YUGOSLAV INITIATIVE FOR ROK. BOTH IN TERMS OF RE-  
ESTABLISHING DIALOGUE AND, IMPORTANTLY, IN TERMS OF DEVELOPING  
YUGOSLAV SUPPORT IN NAM AND UN CIRCLES.

2. IN ORDER SUPPORT LATTER VIEW, I DREW ON POINTS BEING  
MADE WITH GOY (REF A), NOTING THAT I HAD NOT YET RECEIVED  
A REPORT ON HOW THESE DISCUSSIONS HAD PROCEEDED. I URGED  
POSITIVE RESPONSE FROM ROK TO YUGOSLAV PROPOSAL WHICH  
MET ROKG STRATEGIC AIMS, WHICH INCREASED OUR LEVERAGE ON  
YUGOSLAV'S AND WHICH, IN BOTH YUGOSLAV AND U.S. VIEW  
WERE UNLIKELY TO BE FAVORABLY RECEIVED IN PYONGYANG.

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3. FORMIN WAS CONCERNED THAT TRIPARTITE TALKS MIGHT BE  
MISUNDERSTOOD AND ASKED IF FOUR-POWER CONCEPT WAS NOT  
BEING CONSIDERED. I POINTED OUT, ON VERY CLOSE HOLD  
BASIS, TALKS BY TITO AND MINIC IN PEKING AND SAID  
CHINESE CLEARLY HAVE OPTED OUT.

4. IN CONCLUSION, I URGED A QUICK AND POSITIVE RESPONSE

ON THE PART OF THE ROKG TO THIS NEW YUGOSLAV INITIATIVE.  
BOTH FORMIN AND SENIOR BLUE HOUSE OFFICIAL APPEARED TO  
HAVE A POSITIVE REACTION TO MY PRESENTATION AND PROMISED  
TO GIVE MATTER URGENT STUDY. IT WILL PROBABLY TAKE ROK A  
FEW DAYS TO DIGEST THIS NEW DEPARTURE. I WILL CONTINUE  
DURING THAT TIME TO MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO SEE THAT OUTCOME  
IS POSITIVE.  
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